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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

Under 35 USC 111(a) and Rule 53(b)

PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of  
Inventor(s): TOHGI et al.

Title PERFORMANCE INFORMATION REPRODUCING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD AND PERFORMANCE  
INFORMATION REPRODUCING PROGRAM

Atty. Dkt.: 0307682 | H8059US  
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including:

Date: January 14, 2004

1. Specification: 49 pages (only spec. and claims)
2. ☐ Specification in non-English language
3. Declaration ☐ Original ☒ Facsimile/Copy ☒ Abstract 1 page(s); 19 numbered claims
4. ☒ Drawings: 12 sheet(s) ☒ informal; ☐ formal of size: ☐ A4 ☒ 11"
5. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 6 or 7). (Prior M# \_\_\_\_\_ SN \_\_\_\_\_)
6. This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

No. <u>  /  </u>	filed	_____
No. <u>  /  </u>	filed	_____
No. <u>  /  </u>	filed	_____
No. PCT <u>  /  </u>	filed	_____, which

designated the US.

7. ☐ See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US application(s)

8. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.

9. ☒ Assignee Yamaha Corporation

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10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in Japan

11. \_\_\_\_\_ (country)

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(1) 2003-006114	January 14, 2003	(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		(6)	
(7)		(8)	
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12. \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☐ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
in U.S. Application No.   /   filed on \_\_\_\_\_

13. Small entity status → ☒ is not claimed; ☐ is claimed (Pre-filing confirmation required)

- 13(a). ☐ Attached: \_\_\_\_\_ (No.) Small Entity Statement(s) (since 9/8/00 small entity statement(s) not essential to make claim)

- 13(b) ☐ See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)

14. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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(3)		(6)	

15. ☐ This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.

16. ☐ Attached:

17. ☐ Preliminary Amendment:

**THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED**

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
18. Basic Filing Fee				\$770/\$385	\$770	1001/2001
19. Total Effective Claims	19	minus 20 =	*0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ 0	1202/2202
20. Independent Claims	6	minus 3 =	*3	x \$86/\$43 =	+ 258	1201/2201
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21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				+ \$290/\$145	+ 0	1203/2203
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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify that

- ☒ Letter of transmittal
- ☒ Patent application (49 pages of specification; 19 claims; 1 pages of abstract)
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1028.00 to cover the filing fee
- ☒ 12 sheets of informal drawings
- ☒ A Declaration/Power of Attorney
- ☒ An Assignment of the invention with cover sheet and \$40.00 recordation fee
- ☒ Return postcard

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